

Lightweight Pump Technology for Advanced Green Monopropellants, Phase I

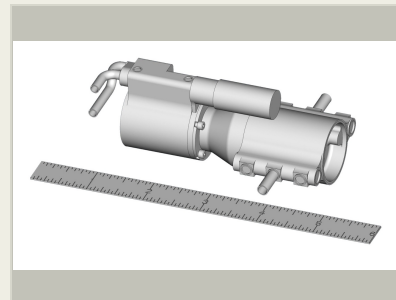
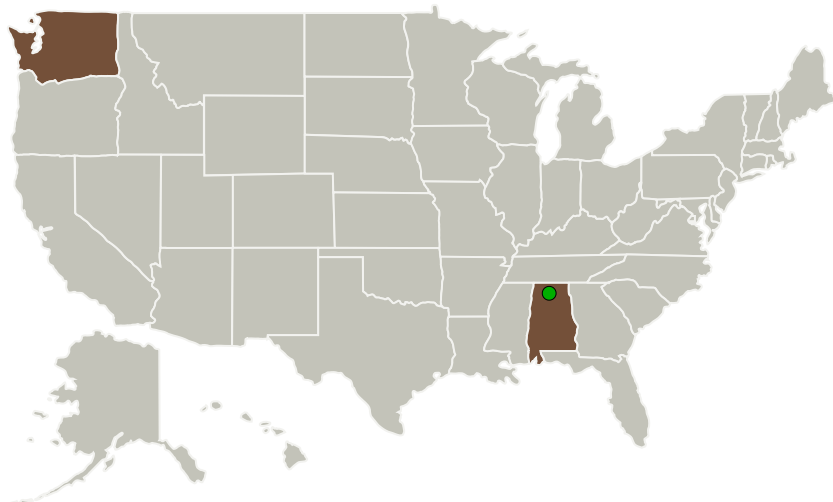
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Project Introduction

Systema will develop an innovative light weight self-pressurizing pump (SPP) technology to provide a constant-pressure supply of monopropellant to a spacecraft or tactical propulsion system. The SPP does not require a helium tank and higher operating pressure have a negligible impact on the system mass. Since the SPP has a lower weight than comparable propellant pressurization systems, it provides an opportunity for reducing launch costs, increasing spacecraft or tactical system payload capacity and significantly enhancing delta velocity/ ΔV . This technology can be used with hydrazine, HAN-based, or ADN-based propellants as there are no known limitations on the monopropellant that can be used in the system. The self-pressurizing lightweight pump for advanced monopropellants offers significant advantages in applications where a large ΔV is required, such as large spacecraft or in applications where high-pressure is needed, such as liquid ACS or DACS thrusters. The Phase I and Phase II SBIR will focus on development of the system for operation with the HAN-based monopropellant AF-M315E.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Type	Location
Systima Technologies, Inc.	Lead Organization	Industry	Kirkland, Washington
● Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC)	Supporting Organization	NASA Center	Huntsville, Alabama

Primary U.S. Work Locations	
Alabama	Washington

Project Transitions

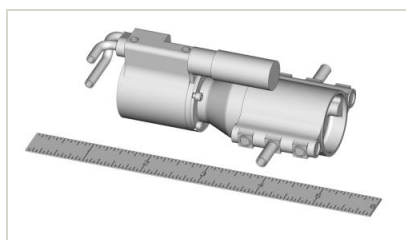
▶ **May 2013:** Project Start

✓ **November 2013:** Closed out

Closeout Documentation:

- Final Summary Chart(<https://techport.nasa.gov/file/138679>)

Images



Project Image

Lightweight Pump Technology for Advanced Green Monopropellants (<https://techport.nasa.gov/image/134894>)

Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Organization:

Systima Technologies, Inc.

Responsible Program:

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer

Project Management

Program Director:

Jason L Kessler

Program Manager:

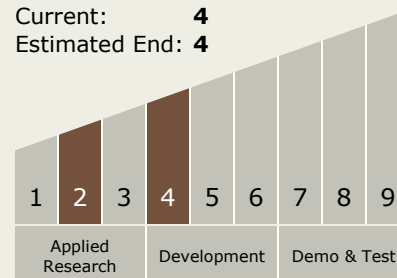
Carlos Torrez

Principal Investigator:

Paul Luccio

Technology Maturity (TRL)

Start: 2
Current: 4
Estimated End: 4



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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX01 Propulsion Systems
 - └ TX01.1 Chemical Space Propulsion
 - └ TX01.1.2 Earth Storable

Target Destinations

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System